

THE CONSTITUTION.

To the Colonists of New South Wales.
FELLOW COLONISTS.—The form of Constitution for this country, framed by a Select Committee of the Legislative Council, is now before you, with a statement of its principles, from the Chairman of the Committee. It is for you to determine whether you will accept the Government thus set up, or impugn it. The necessity of obtaining your express views on your opinions upon this matter has been questioned. It has been asserted, that the power of creating and calling into existence the Government which it intended to bind you, and those who are to come after you, has been expressly delegated to the Legislative Body now in existence—a body composed partly of men who are not your representatives, and partly of those who are your representatives, but who were elected at a time when the particular form of Constitution had not been publicly announced.

It is proposed by the Bills now before the Legislative Council to create a Parliament of New South Wales—a name venerable and beloved by its associations with our great and glorious British Liberties, but now sought to be paraded by a miserable travesty. You are to have a double Legislature, but the Upper House is to be primarily composed of nominees of the Crown, and to merge ultimately into the hands of a small privileged hereditary class. This second House is to be to have co-ordinate powers of legislation with the Lower House of Representatives, except with regard to Money Bills. The latter assembly is to be built upon the same elective basis as the present Legislative Council, but the eighteen seats to be vacated by the nominees will be supplied by the same number of elective members, of whom two only are to be given to the city of Sydney and its suburbs, and two to the city of Camberra. In short, the electoral distribution effected by the Act of 1851 is to remain intact, that measure being emphatically pronounced to be perfect in principle!

FELLOW COLONISTS.—It is asserted by Mr. Wentworth that nominated Upper Houses of Legislature are in accordance with the principles of the British Constitution, and that upon this model the Constitutions of the earlier colonial dependencies—Tunbridge, New South Wales, &c.—were framed. The historical facts are far from sustaining the analogy which Mr. Wentworth seeks to establish. Wherever the semblance of a nobility (shortened as it in all cases proved to be) sprung up in the chartered colonies, it was a mere emanation and adjunct of the proprietary rights conferred on the patentees—a kind of dominion which even Mr. Wentworth will scarcely be bold enough to set over the land and people of New South Wales. In 1791, the Executive Council of the Governor, by deliberative measures of the Legislative Assembly presented for his acceptance, and by proposing amendments in the way of compromise, to avert the exercise of his right of rejection, appear to have gradually usurped some of the functions of the Upper House of Legislature. Nothing really corresponding with the Constitution proposed by the present Bill was introduced into a British colony until the passing of the Act of 1791. An Act of 1791, however, is a masterpiece, then recently considered—passed by a Tory Ministry with the aid of a Tory Parliament, who were scared by revolutionaries; terrors, and by the fear of a French Nation Assembly; illusions which sufficed to warp the judgment of those great statesmen, Burke, an Pitt, and Wilberforce, but which failed to mislead that consistent champion of public liberty, the illustrious Charles James Fox. He vehemently opposed the measure, and it results have too frequently been witnessed in the colonies. Collisions between the Lower and Upper Houses continually kept the colonies in confusion, and terminated in a rebellion which compelled the Government to make changes and concessions that have now brought many of the rebel party into offices under the Crown. In their present Constitution, remodelled in some other respects, the same element has been again introduced; but already we are informed by East Grey, in his recent work on colonial policy, that it is working well, and likely to prove a most failure. Canada, therefore, is precedent for us. It is only a beacon and a warning. The advocates of the Colonies principle can only support it by the stereotyped claim that stemming the tide of democracy; under this plan, we are subjected to a system, irreconcileable with all just notions of British liberty, which tends to keep all modern colonial communities in the worst political trammels; upon the pretext that they are not fit for self-government, the great attribute of colonial liberty—the free and unshackled choice of those who are to make for them—has been obstinately withheld. More enlightened views are now found to perceive the minds of British statesmen, and the principle of election, even in the formation of an Upper Chamber, has now been approved by the leading members of recent Administrations; whether, in this again, the differences are to be resolved, is yet to be seen.

FELLOW-COLONISTS.—Mr. Wentworth has proposed to experience to prove the inefficiency of elective legislatures and representative governments. Read, and judge for yourself, whether history justifies his assertions, or whether, in this again, the differences are to be resolved, is yet to be seen.

Mr. Wentworth, however, that you do not demand a Republican Form of government, but your own old—and cherishes—British Liberty, which is now threatened with destruction. Tell him not to hoodwink you with the fallacy that there is any analogy between his proposed Nomination Chamber and the British House of Lords; that you have better—understanding, and the House of Lords was mother country, and the House of Lords was a bulwark against Royal oppression, and not such an institution as he proposes to create—a bulwark against Liberty. The pretence is too hollow to mislead you.

Fellow-Colonists!—You, and those who are fighting with you this battle for our liberties, are charged with ignorance of the principles of government, and with inability to suggest a form of Constitution for this colony embodying the great principle of popular election for which they contend. In accordance with what they assert to be your rights and wishes, they demand in your name an Elective Legislature, to consist of an Elective House of Assembly, and an Elective Legislative Council. The scheme of elective organization of the latter is a matter of administrative detail, of which a plan will be submitted to you as soon as the general principle shall have been affirmed by the collected voice of the colony.

We demand a just apportionment of the Representation of the People in the Lower House of Parliament, by a revision of the present electoral system, and a rearrangement of electoral districts, so as to afford a fair and equitable representation of the numbers, intelligence, and property of the community, and of all its various classes and interests. As subsidiary and subordinate to this, we demand an extension of the franchise to many classes, who, by the technicalities of a system of household franchise, are shut out from the voice of the Colony.

We demand that any Constitution to be framed for this colony shall be subject to periodical revision, with a view to its further improvement and progressive adaptation to the wants of the community, under such safeguards as will prevent hasty or ill-considered organic changes.

We demand a Constitution, under which, by the free action of the Representatives of the People, economy and retrenchment in the administration of the public revenue shall be insured, by which a healthy and natural conservative influence shall be called into effect in the national councils; by which equal laws shall be enacted; by which any unconstitutional power of the Executive shall be pre-empted; and by which the prosperity and happiness of the colony shall be effectually promoted.

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Buildings constructed of brick or stone
according to the Building Act, covered
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Such as Cotton, Flax, Hemp, Oil, Rosin
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Application for Insurance to be made to the
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N.B.—In case of fire, parties are re-
quested to call at the office of Mr. T. W. Smart,
Engineer, No. 280, George-street, Superin-
tendent of the Fire Brigade, in whose premises
the engine is kept.

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Announcement of the Opening of the
AUSTRALIAN TEA MART.

being these extensive premises lately occupied
by Mr. E. Vickery, George-street, opposite
the Market Buildings.

H A N K Y AND LLOYD, referring
to their friends and the public to the pre-
liminary notice a few weeks since, of their
intention to commence business in this city as
general provision dealers, have now the pleasure of
announcing that the extensive alterations and
improvements they found it necessary to
make in their premises have been effected, and
their doors are now open to receive any ex-
tended trade with which they may be so
fortunate as to be favoured; to secure the
continuance and extension of which it need hardly
be said that the proprietors will spare neither
time, trouble, nor expense.

One of the partners having been ex-
tensively engaged in this line of business
for upwards of twenty years in London,
and the other partner for more than half
that period in the latter city of V. B. Moore,
and their doors are now open to receive any ex-
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The partners do not consider it necessary
that they should enter into any detail of what
their stock consists. It will be sufficient to say that
the contents of the shelves and stores of the
AUSTRALIAN TEA MART

will comprise every article necessary for the
carrying on of an extensive wholesale and
retail general provision business in a style
that will secure for their establishment the
distinction of being one of the first and
best in the colony, and which will be sold
articles of undoubted quality would be sold.

Accounts opened with settlers, stockkeepers,
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Quarterly pass books kept for the supplies
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Strict attention given, and faithful execution
of every order, whether small or large.

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The Members' Purse of Fifty Sovereigns,
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twice round the course; entrance, five sove-
reigns; three entrances or no race.

Second Prize.

The Ladies' Purse of thirty sovereigns, with a
Sweepstakes of two sovereigns each, for all
maiden horses that never won a prize exceeding
twenty pounds, carrying weight for age; heats,
twice round the course; entrance, three sove-
reigns; three entrances or no race.

Third Prize.

The Tally-ho Stakes of twenty sovereigns,
with a Sweepstakes of three sovereigns each, for all
horses, heats, twice round the course; entrance,
two sovereigns each; three entrances or no race;
gentlemen riders; one introduced by the stewards;
the cap to be reduced by the stewards if re-
quired.

Second Prize.

The District Race of twenty sovereigns,
for all bond fide hacks, the property of persons
siding within the colony, or Campbell-
town, or whom they may appoint; heats, twice
round the course; entrance, five sovereigns;

three entrances or no race; gentlemen riders;
one introduced by one of the stewards; the
cap to be reduced by the stewards if re-
quired.

Third Prize.

The Consolation Stakes, of twenty sovereigns,
with a Sweepstakes of three sovereigns each, for all
horses, to be handicapped by the stewards or
whom they may appoint; heats, twice round
the course; entrance, five sovereigns;

three entrances, or no race.

Second Prize.

The Publicans' Purse of twenty sovereigns,
with a Sweepstakes of two sovereigns each, for all
horses, to be handicapped by the stewards or
whom they may appoint; heats, twice round
the course; entrance, two sovereigns;

three entrances, or no race.

Third Prize.

The Consolation Stakes, of twenty sovereigns,
for all bated horses during the meet-
ing, to be handicapped by the stewards or
whom they may appoint; heats, twice round
the course; entrance, five sovereigns;

three entrances, or no race.

Third Prize.

The Consolation Stakes, of twenty sovereigns,
for all horses, to be handicapped by the stewards or
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Third Prize.

The Consolation Stakes, of twenty sovereigns,
for all horses, to be handicapped

TIN PLATES.

On account of whom it may concern.
BOWDEN and **THREKELD** (successors to George A. Lloyd) have been instructed to sell by auction, at the City Mart, 474, George-street, on **FRIDAY**, the 2nd September next, at 11 o'clock, 25 boxes Pontypool Tin Plates, slightly damaged.

Terms, cash. 8614

NEW BOOKS.

BOWDEN and **THREKELD** are instructed to announce to the trade and others that they have had placed in their hands for sale, in auction, in a few days, so soon as the catalogue can be taken up in a day, or two, in the mean time the trade are requested to bear in mind this opportunity of replenishing their stock. 8615

ITALIAN GOODS AND OILMEN'S STORES.

Important and Unreserved Sale of a first-rate assortment, nice and in splendid order, at **George-street** and **Waterloo-street**, on **FRIDAY**. The Auctioneers invite the special attention of the Trade, Country Storekeepers, and Buyers for export, to the sale of this splendid assortment of Goods, all in the very best condition, and for sale to the highest bidder. Now is the time to secure stock, prices never will be lower, the Melbourne trade is open, and great activity manifested in the market—in a few weeks we shall have the high rates of last Spring run.

BOWDEN and **THREKELD** have received instructions from the Importers to sell by auction, at the City Mart Sale Rooms, on **FRIDAY** next, the 2nd September, at 11 o'clock.

The following Invoice of Oilmen's Stores and Italian Goods, from the leading houses of London.

160 cases, each 3 dozen, pint pickles
60 ditto, 2 ditto, quart ditto
50 ditto, 6 ditto, 1 lb. mustards
30 ditto, 1 ditto, 1 lb. ditto
50 ditto, 112 ditto, 100 ditto in tins
50 ditto, 6 ditto, 4 pint caskets
30 ditto, 4 ditto, pint ditto
2 ditto, 3 ditto, quart ditto
10 ditto, 4 ditto, 1 lb. anchovies
10 ditto, 3 ditto, 1 lb. ditto
10 ditto, 4 ditto, 1 pint saucers
10 ditto, 3 ditto, pint ditto
30 ditto, 3 ditto, quarts vinegar
5 ditto, 6 ditto, 1 pint capers
5 ditto, 4 ditto, 1 pint ditto
5 ditto, 4 ditto, 1 pint olives
6 ditto, 3 ditto, pint ditto
2 ditto, cayenne pepper, assorted sizes
2 ditto, curry powder, assorted packets
5 ditto, anchovy, bloter, and assorted pastes
10 ditto, each 4 dozen, 1 lb. jars jams and jellies
10 ditto, 4 ditto, 2 lb. ditto ditto
5 ditto, 112 ditto, brown Windsor soap
10 ditto, 24 tins hurrings
150 half barrels white herrings
25 pockets Kent hops
20 cases, each 50 lbs, Colman's blue
2 cases soda powders
16 cases Cheshire cheeses
20 cases prime Cheddar cheeses
20 kegs prime ox tongues
20 barrels hams, (400)
40 barrels vinegar, about 30 gallons each
20 half-barrels prime family pork
50 ditto salmon
100 boxes herrings (small packages)
5 kegs carbonated soda
1 case Fulwood's Spanish annatto

1238 packages
These goods are without exception the finest, and have been offered to the trade for a length of time.

Terms—Under £50, cash; from £50 to £100, three months; from £100 to £200 three, and four months; above £200, three, four, and five months by approved endorsed bills. 8615

FORREST LODGE.

By order of the Mortgagors.

BOWDEN and **THREKELD** (successors to George A. Lloyd) have been instructed to sell by auction, at the City Mart, 474, George-street, on **WEDNESDAY**, the 14th of September, at 11 o'clock.

All that valuable Farm, comprising 60 acres of good arable land, situated in the Parish of St. George, two and a half miles from the Village of Canterbury, near Pont's Bridge, about nine miles distant from Sydney; bounded on the south by a line bearing west thirty-five degrees south, twenty-eight chains fifty links, commanding at the north-east corner of Greenhalgh's Farm; on the west by Mr. Howell's sixty acres; on the north by part of O'Brien's fifty acres and John Hussey's fifty acres, being a line bearing east thirty-five degrees north; and on the east by a line bearing south thirty-five degrees east, twenty-four chains to Greenhalgh's north-east corner.

This farm is in a high state of cultivation, having a large garden well stocked with fruit-trees, and a neat cottage with extensive out-works, at present in the possession of Mr. Welch.

To parties in search of a comfortable home and snug retreat, this property is well worthy of the attention, or of market gardeners and horticulturists.

A plan of the property may be seen at the City Mart.

Terms at sale. 8613

VILLAGE OF ENFIELD.

Part of the celebrated Brighton Estate, Liverpool Road, only eight miles from Sydney.

BOWDEN and **THREKELD** (successors to George A. Lloyd) have been favoured with instructions to sell, by auction, at the City Mart, 474, George-street, on **WEDNESDAY**, the 14th day of September, at 11 o'clock.

Small allotments of land in the improving and beautiful village of Enfield, nearly opposite the Angel Inn, eight miles from Sydney, consisting of Nos. 3, 4, 14, 15, 23, and 29 of the original laying out of the village, forming one block, having an area of four acres, more or less.

Nos. 3 and 4 have each a frontage of 50 feet to the Liverpool Road, with a depth of 300 feet.

Nos. 14 and 15 have a frontage of 300 feet to the road leading from the Liverpool Road to the Cook's River Road.

Nos. 23 and 29 have 300 feet frontage to Baker-street.

These allotments are most eligibly situated at a short distance from the metropolis, always accessible within an hour, and possess all the advantages of a country village in a healthy situation, having a fine school, and a church, Thomas in the vicinity, a school house with sufficient instruction, post office, shop, &c. &c. All the mails and stage coaches on the southern road to Liverpool, Camden, Goulburn, Berima, Braidwood, Yass, &c., pass by these allotments twice every day.

VERNON LODGE,

Liverpool Road.

This property consists of four acres 20, possess a fine frontage of 100 feet, on a level, well fenced in, on which is erected a four roomed weather-boarded cottage, bounded on the south by the Liverpool Road, immediately adjoining the Angel Inn, and directly opposite the village of Enfield, and possessing, therefore, all the advantages mentioned above or belonging to that locality.

VILLAGE OF PETERSHAM.

All that allotment of land in the village of Petersham, on the Parramatta Road, within half a mile of the Angel Inn, and four miles and a half from Sydney, having the large frontage of 300 feet to the Canterbury Road, which passes through the village. It is bounded on the north by a line dividing it from Lot No. 2, being a line easterly 247 feet 6 inches; on the east by a fence dividing it from McDerott's land, being a line bearing south-westerly 400 feet.

The Railroad passes within a few yards of this allotment, which alone is sufficient to enhance its value, and make it a very desirable and valuable property.

Plans of all the above are on view at the City Mart, where further particulars may be known.

Terms at sale. 8613

MARTYN'S Horse and Carriage Bazaar, 240, Pitt-street. Regular Sale Days—Tuesdays and Fridays. All parties sending Horses or other Stock for sale, are particularly requested to send written instructions previous to sale, stating brands, age, qualifications, and if with or without reserve.

GAROU OF THE WATERLILY FROM AUCKLAND.

Feathers
Feathers
Joints, and
Potatoes.

To Builders, Shippers, Potato Dealers, and others.

J. G. COHEN will sell by auction, at the Bon Accord Wharf, on **FRIDAY**, next, September 2, at 11 o'clock precisely,

The cargo of the Waterlily, comprising

1927 boards
446 scantling
74 joists
227 pieces, 13 feet, 9 x 3.

40 tons New Zealand potatoes

Terms at sale. 8614

FRIDAY, September 2.

PISTOLS.

PURKIS AND LAMBERT will sell by auction, at their Mart, 451, George-street, on **FRIDAY**, the 3rd September, at 11 o'clock.

150 Pairsingle and double barrelled pistols.

Terms, cash. 840

TUESDAY, September 6.

To Grocers, Stationers, and others.

Crown Paper

Ruled Ledgers and Cash Books

PURKIS AND LAMBERT have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Mart, 451, George-street, on **TUESDAY**, the 6th September, at 11 o'clock.

2 Case containing

1 Case containing

